



Expedited Procedure  
Group 3746

Our File No.: 99B156  
Date: December 19, 2003

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Appln. No.** : 09/824,074  
**Applicant** : Stephen J. Dovey  
**Filed** : April 2, 2001  
**Title** : Improvements in Reciprocating Machines  
**TC/A.U.** : 3746  
**Examiner** : Michael Kuhn Gray  
**Docket No.** : 99B156

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

1. ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
2. ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
3. ☐ No additional fee is required.

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, on December 19, 2003.

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Date of Signature

December 19, 2003

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The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

	Claims remaining after amendt. (Col. 1)		Highest No. Prev. Paid for (Col. 2)		Present extra (Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY			OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY		
						RATE		FEE	RATE		FEE
Total	*		Minus **		= 0	X	9	= 0	X	18	=
Ind.	*		Minus ***		= 0	X	42	= 0	X	84	=
( ) First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims						+	140	=	+	280	=
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE:									TOTAL:		

\* If the entry in Col 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

\*\* If the "Highest No. prev. paid for" in this space is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

\*\*\* If the "Highest No. prev. paid for" in this space is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

4.(a) [x] An Extension of Time to respond to the PTO communication dated July 1, 2003 is hereby requested. The required fee, indicated below, is enclosed herewith.

Extension for response (check only one):

	<u>SMALL ENTITY</u>		<u>OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY</u>	
Within first month	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 55	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 110
Within second month	<input type="checkbox"/>	210	<input type="checkbox"/>	420
Within third month	<input type="checkbox"/>	475	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	950
Within fourth month	<input type="checkbox"/>	740	<input type="checkbox"/>	1,480

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

☐ An extension for has already been secured and the fee paid therefore of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$.

or

(b) ☐ In the event that an extension of time is required, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

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5. ☒ Please charge our Deposit Account No. 06-0923 in the amount of \$950.00. Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.
6. ☐ A check in the amount of \$.00 is enclosed.
7. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees are required under 37 CFR 1.16 and/or 37 CFR 1.117 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0923. Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.

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Enclosures